

Claim Amendments

1. (currently amended) An outer ring ~~{2, 19}~~ of a wheel bearing comprising ~~{8, 23}~~ having a radial flange ~~{2e, 19a}~~, the flange ~~{2e, 19a}~~ extending radially outward at the axial end of the outer ring ~~{8, 19}~~ of tubular configuration, and the flange has ~~{2e, 19a}~~ having recesses ~~{2f}~~ which pass axially through the flange ~~{2e, 19a}~~ and are open radially to the outside, for fastening the flange ~~{2e, 19a}~~ to a wheel carrier ~~{7, 24}~~.
2. (currently amended) The outer ring of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ the recesses ~~{2f}~~ are of arcuate design.
3. (currently amended) The outer ring of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 1, wherein the outer ring is ~~{2, 19}~~ being cold formed.
4. (currently amended) The outer ring of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 1 wherein ~~on a wheel bearing {8, 23}~~, the outer ring is ~~{2}~~ being supported radially at least partially in a wheel carrier ~~{7, 24}~~ and the flange is ~~{2e}~~ being fixed axially ~~here~~ to the wheel carrier ~~{7, 24}~~ by ~~way of~~ fastening elements ~~{14}~~, the flange ~~{2e}~~ being engaged from behind by the fastening elements ~~{14}~~ on a side ~~{2e}~~ of the flange ~~{2e}~~ which faces axially away from the wheel carrier ~~{7, 24}~~ and, is as a result, ~~being~~ held axially on the wheel carrier ~~{7, 24}~~ axially.
5. (currently amended) The outer ring of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 5, wherein ~~in which~~ bolts ~~reach through the recesses {2f}~~, the fastening elements are ~~{14}~~ being the bolts which reach through the recesses.

6. (currently amended) The outer ring of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ the fastening elements {14} are heads {14} of the bolts.

7. (currently amended) The outer ring of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ the flange {2e} bears axially against the wheel carrier {7, 24} at least in sections.

8. (currently amended) An axial securing means of an outer ring {2} of a wheel bearing {23} on a wheel carrier {24}, wherein ~~in which~~ the outer ring {2} bears axially against the wheel carrier {24} with a radial flange {2e} and the flange {2e} is fixed axially to the wheel carrier {24} by ~~way of~~ fastening elements {14}, the flange {2e} being engaged from behind by the fastening elements {14} on a side {2e} of the flange {2e} which faces axially away from the wheel carrier {24} and is ~~, as a result,~~ being held axially on the wheel carrier {7, 24} ~~axially,~~ and each of the fastening elements {14} at the same time bear ~~bearing~~ axially against the wheel carrier {24} and against the flange {2e}.

9. (currently amended) The axial securing means of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 8, wherein ~~in which~~ the fastening elements {14} are bolts with heads {14a}, each of the bolts being fixed in the wheel carrier {24} and engaging from behind the flange {2e} with a head {14a} on that side on the flange {2e} which faces away from the wheel carrier {24}, and the head {14a} bearing at the same time both axially against the flange {2e} and against the wheel carrier {24}.

10. (currently amended) The axial securing means of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 9, wherein ~~in which~~ each of the heads {14a} bears axially against an axial projection {25a} of the wheel carrier {7}, the projections {25a} adjoining the flange {2e} radially.

11. (currently amended) The axial securing means of ~~as claimed in~~ claim 9, in which the heads ~~(14a)~~ bear against a common axial annular section ~~(27)~~ of the carrier ~~(24)~~, the annular section ~~(27)~~ surrounding the flange ~~(2e)~~ circumferentially.